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## Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

A competitive environment is important for all businesses to thrive. It is a bedrock principle of capitalism. I chose a smaller competitive phone provider and am satisfied with their service. Deregulation of the 1996 Telecom act is a mistake and will only lead to the largest companies to have a chance in the marketplace. We need many choices as consumers, not fewer. Monopolies in the past have existed at the expense of customer service and good business practices. It happened with the banks, big oil and others. DON"T let it happen with phone and broadband communications.

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